GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6259
ANSWERED ON:06.05.2013
SETTING UP OF TIGER RESERVE PARKS
Sugumar Shri K.

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up more tiger reserve parks in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has received any request from the State Governments in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

(a)to (e) The in-principle approval has been accorded by the National Tiger Conservation Authority for creation of four new tiger reserves, and the sites are:, Pilibhit (Uttar Pradesh), Ratapani (Madhya Pradesh), Sunabeda (Odisha), and Mukundara Hills (including Darrah, Jawahar Sagar and Chambal Wildlife Sanctuaries) (Rajasthan). Final approval has been accorded to Kudremukh (Karnataka) for declaring as a tiger reserve. The State Governments have been advised to send proposals for declaring the following areas as tiger reserves:

(i) Bor (Maharashtra),

(ii) Suhelwa (Uttar Pradesh),

(iii) Nagzira-Navegaon (Maharashtra),

(iv) Guru Ghasidas National Park (Chhattisgarh),

(v) Mhadei Sanctuary (Goa) and

(vi) Srivilliputhur Grizzled Giant Squirrel / Megamalai Wildlife Sanctuaries / Varushanadu Valley (Tamil Nadu).